

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives always welcome the opportunity to commend the sportsmanship, training, and cooperation demonstrated by Show-Me State athletic teams which have risen to the top echelon of performance in their chosen fields of endeavor; and

Whereas, the Chilhowee R-IV School District's Lady Indians varsity basketball team recorded a 28-3 win-loss tally at the end of the Missouri State High School Activities Association sanctioned Class 1 competition when the players valiantly battled their way into Second Place as the first-ever sports team from their school to make it to state and only the third-ever girls basketball team from Johnson County to reach championships; and

Whereas, the Lady Indians worked their way to the Finals game by trouncing Hermitage in Sectionals on March 11, 2003, to the tune of 59-44, overcoming a stiff challenge from Walnut Grove in Quarterfinals on March 15 with a 47-46 score, and besting Delta, 56-51, in a Semifinals match-up on March 20; and

Whereas, on March 22 the 28-2 Lady Indians faced 27-2 Brashear in a Finals game in which they did not fare as well to end the season with a heartbreaking 38-54 loss and the Second Place trophy; and

Whereas, effectively coached and trained by Travis Fleming, the Chilhowee Lady Indians team was composed of seniors, Heather Tate (wearing jersey 21 and playing Guard) and Krystal Weis (40, Forward); juniors, Jessi Brooks (00, Forward), Christine Sutherland (14, Guard), Mindi Jenkins (22, Guard), and Kristin Truex (30, Guard); sophomores, Dustie Austin (24, Forward) and Christi Anstine (25, Guard); and freshmen, Kasey Brooks (4, Forward) and Whitney Wilson (12, Guard); and

Whereas, although they will miss the contributions of this year's graduating seniors, returning and new Lady Indians next year will look forward with anticipation to repeating their impressive trip to state-level competition in Columbia, Missouri:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the stellar season accomplishments garnered by the Chilhowee Lady Indians during the 2002-2003 school year and to convey to the players, coach, and parents this legislative body's heartiest congratulations at taking Second Place in state competition and our best wishes for continued success for many more years to come; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of the Chilhowee R-IV School District's girls basketball program.

Offered by _____
Representative Shannon Cooper
District No. 120

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 1521, adopted April 8, 2003.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker